

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

ABSTRACT

Forest Department- Diversion of 180.88 ha.(Out of 437 Ha applied for and surrender of 256.12 Ha) of forest land in Indaram Reserve Forest in Mancherial Division for underground mining for Indaram Extension Mining in favour of M/s SCCL in favour of Singareni Collieries Co. Limited - Permission- Accorded – Orders-Issued.

ENVIRONMENT FORESTS SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (FOR.I) DEPTT.

G.O.Ms.No.48

Dated:10-07-2009

Read the following:

- 1.From Prl.CCF. Lr.No. 2755/2005/F1, Dated: 2-11-2005.
- 2.State Government Letter No.9619/For.I (1)/2005-1, Dated: 25-11-2005
- 3.From GOI, Ministry of Environment & Forests, New Delhi Lr.No.8-108/2005-FC , Dated 12-7-2006.
4. From Prl.CCF. Lr.No.2755/2005-F1, Dated: 10-11-2007.
- 5.State Govt. letter No.9619/For.I (1)/2007-4, Dated: 27-11-2007.
- 6.From GOI. MoEF, New Delhi, Lr.No.8-108/2005-FC, dt. 12-11-2008.
- 7.State Govt. Letter No.9619/For-I (1)/2005-5, Dated: 14-5-2009.
8. From GOI. MoEF, New Delhi, Lr.No.8-108/2005-FC, dt. 9-6-2009.

ORDER:

In the letter 1st read above the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Hyderabad has submitted a proposal for diversion of 437 ha. of forest land in Indaram Reserve Forest of Mancherial Division, Adilabad District for under ground mining for Indaram Extension Mining Lease in favour of M/s Singareni Collieries Company Limited and requested to send the Same to Government of India for their approval under Section –2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

2. In the letter 2nd read above, the said proposal has been forwarded to Government of India, Ministry of Environment & Forests, New Delhi for their approval under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

3. The Government of India in their letter 3rd read above have conveyed in -principle approval for diversion of 437 ha. of forest for this project subject to certain conditions. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Hyderabad in his letter 4th read above has reported that the user agency has proposed for reduction of the extent of the requirement of forest land from 437 ha. to 180.88 ha. leaving 256.12 ha. which is stated to be not required for the present. Accordingly, the Government of India was requested to accord approval for diversion of 180.88 ha. of forest land in Indaram R.F. of Mancherial Division instead of 437 ha. vide letter 5th read above..

4. The Government of India in their letter 8th read above have conveyed final approval under Section-2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for diversion of 180.88 ha. of forest land for underground mining for Indaram Extension Mining in favour of M/s. SSCL subject certain conditions.

5. Government after careful consideration, hereby accord permission to Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Hyderabad for diversion of 180.88 ha. of forest land in Indaram Reserve Forest of Mancherial Division in Adilabad for Indaram Extension underground mining in favour of M/s Singareni Collieries Company Limited, subject to the following conditions:

1. Legal status of the forest land shall remain unchanged.
2. Wherever possible and technically feasible, the User Agency shall undertake afforestation measures in the blanks within the lease area (if the density is less than 0.4 area shall be afforested) as well as along the roads, in consultation with the State Forest Department at the project cost.

3. The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the proposal.
 4. The approval under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 is subject to the clearance under the Environmental Protection Act, 1986 and all other rules / regulations applicable to such project.
 5. The user agency will make arrangement for free supply of coal to laborers and staff working on the project site so as to avoid any pressure on the adjacent forest areas.
 6. The period of permission for lease under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 will be 20 years subject to valid mining lease under MMDR Act, 1957.
 7. Demarcation of mining, lease area will be done on the ground at project cost using four feet high reinforced cement concrete pillars with serial numbers, forward and back bearings and distance from pillar to pillar at every 20 Meters.
 8. The User Agency shall take up Afforestation inside the forest area in 100m. radius from the permitted lease area in consultation with the forest department if density of growth is less than 0.4.
 9. No damage to the flora and fauna of the area shall be caused.
 10. The User Agency shall bear the cost of damage if any to the plantations existing and raised by the forest department on the surface.
 11. It shall be ensured that no labour camps are set up inside the forest area.
 12. Any other condition that the State Govt. or the Chief Conservator of Forests (Central), Regional Office, Bangalore may impose from time to time for protection and improvement of flora and fauna in the forest area, shall also be applicable.
5. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Hyderabad is requested to take further action in the matter.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

JANAKI R. KONDAPI
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.

To
The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Hyderabad
The Singareni Collieries Company Limited, Hyderabad.

//FORWARDED BY ORDER//

SECTION OFFICER